

Rowan Class Newsletter

HAPPY NEW YEAR



Spring Term 2019

Rowan Class had a super Autumn term! We enjoyed our Victorian topic especially our visit to 'The Priest's House'.

The children performed exceptionally well at our Carols by Candlelight celebration and I'd like to thank them for their hard work, dedication and acting as role-models to the younger children in the school.

All children have made pleasing progress last term and together we are now focusing on our targets whilst honing our exam skills.

As ever, if you have any questions about any aspect of your child's education then please do not hesitate to contact me.

What we are learning this term:

This half-term we will be finishing our Blood-Heart topic before beginning a new topic called 'Frozen Kingdom'. We will be learning about life in the polar regions, make our own icebergs, design our own cold-weather clothing and much, much more. The children will learn of the beauty and dangers that these inhospitable parts of our world offer and we will focus on historic moments related to these areas including Robert Scott's doomed expedition and the sinking of The Titanic.

In our core subjects of English and Maths we will continue to practise and refine our skills whilst enjoying a variety of exciting texts in English and tackling more complex problems in maths. We will focus on fractions, geometry and measure in maths whilst in English we will look at a selection of stories from other cultures, learn how to write explanations and continue developing our story writing skills.

In our science lessons we will look at the circulatory system and focus upon the importance of the heart and how to keep it fit and healthy. When we begin our Frozen Kingdom topic we will then look at materials both natural and man-made and what uses we can find for them.

PE

PE continues on Tuesday and Wednesdays this term. Please ensure your child has their kit in school on these days along with the appropriate footwear and a spare pair of socks for when the ground is wet.

HOMEWORK DAYS

All Homework will be sent home on a Thursday

Maths Homework

This homework will need to be handed in by the following Wednesday.

Literacy Homework

This homework will need to be handed in by the following Wednesday.

Spellings for the week sent home. *Tested the following Monday.*

Occasionally, there will be a topic homework task.

Any homework not handed in on time will need to be completed on Thursday **lunchtime**. If children have any problems understanding their homework then please do not hesitate to ask for help or clarification on any aspects of the subjects involved.

YEAR 6 SATS

The children have already taken practice SATS papers in Reading, Grammar and Maths, so are growing more familiar with their content and requirements.

As you know SATS tests take part the week of May 13th 2019 and it is essential that all children are in school that week as the tests are done on specific days and times set by the Government and cannot be changed or completed at a different time.

We will continue to practise and prepare for these tests so good attendance at school is vital. We have already started booster sessions to sharpen those skills and reinforce knowledge and continue with revision sessions in class.

We will shortly be offering a SATS club to provide further assistance to those children that would be helped by it. Once a day and time are fixed you will be informed.